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Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
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Re: *Implementation of the Federal Communications Commission's
Triennial Review Order (Nine-month Proceeding) (Loop & Transport)*
Docket No. 03-00527

Dear Chairman Tate:

BellSouth has received and continues to receive responses to its first set of interrogatories in the above-referenced matter. In addition, BellSouth is working with opposing counsel in some cases to obtain additional information or clarification of the responses provided. For these reasons, BellSouth is not filing motions to compel at this time but reserves the right to do so in accordance with the procedural order entered on November 20, 2003, if the responses ultimately prove to be non-responsive or incomplete.

A copy of this letter is being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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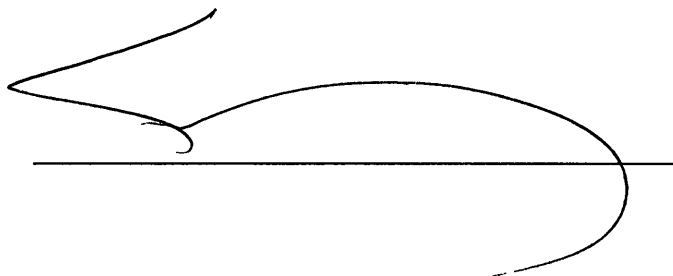
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